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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$198 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:


Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$648 for a Small Entity

- \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$198

- \$198 for 22 total claims over 20.

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Applicant McClelland
Appl. No. : 10/820,140
Filed : 4/8/2004
Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR TIGHTENING LACES OR OTHER
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Examiner :

Docket No.: 14671

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
APPLICATION-FILING DATE GRANTED

Submitted herewith is a copy of FORM PTO-1533 together with a Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventors. A check in the amount of \$648.00 is also enclosed, which includes the government filing fee of \$385.00, 65.0 for the late filing of the signed declaration, and \$198.00 for 22 claims over twenty. Any deficiencies in the fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

It is now believed that the application should be ready for normal processing. In the event any additional information is required by the Application Branch it would be appreciated if they would contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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